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**Request  
for  
Continued Examination (RCE)  
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Application Number	10/025,390
Filing Date	December 19, 2001
First Named Inventor	Ronald Richard French
Group Art Unit	2162
Examiner Name	Isaac M. Woo
Attorney Docket Number	ROC920010275US1

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. 1.114 of the above-identified application.  
Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. **Submission required under 37 C.F.R. 1.114**

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a.  Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.

i.  Consider the arguments in the appeal brief or Reply brief previously filed on  
ii.  Other – Response to Final Office Action dated November 24, 2004.

b.  Enclosed

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2. **Miscellaneous**

a.  Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(i) required)  
b.  Other

3. **Fees**

a.  The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 09-0465

- i.  RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(e) in the amount of \$780
- ii.  Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. 1.136 and 1.17)
- iii.  Other

b.  Check in the amount of \$\_\_\_ enclosed

c.  Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

**SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED**

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I hereby certify that this correspondence and the documents referred to as attached thereto are being facsimile transmitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to the fax number 703-672-6306 to the attention of Examiner Isaac M. Woo on the date below:

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